

States, Himáchal Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir. The NRHM envisages overall rejuvenation of the health delivery system including provisioning of essential drugs and guaranteed basic health care at various levels.

Mortality due to paralysis

†489. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the mortality rate due to paralysis in the country has increased three fold in comparison to developed and developing countries of the world;

(b) whether it is also a fact that since the decades from 1970 to 1990 and thereafter, deaths due to paralysis and its effects are increasing continuously in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMDOSS): (a) to (c) Nation wide data about death due to Paralysis is not available. However, according to Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) the limited data available on death due to stroke (one of the causes of Paralysis) do not substantiate the rise in mortality rates since 1970s.

Soya Yoghurt for diabetes

490. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Soya Yoghurt can check diabetes type II and high blood pressure too;

(b) if so, whether Government are taking any steps to give due publicity to make people aware about it; and

(c) if so, the outlets where Soya Yoghurt would be made available and at what price?

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.